

TMFBC Kingdom Builders

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and united in Christ

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HARVEST
IS PLENTIFUL
BUT THE
LABORERS
ARE
FEW

*“Therefore pray the Lord of the
Harvest to send out laborers
into His Harvest.”*

Matthew 9:37-38

TMFBC, Let's Be the Vessel

2 Kings 4:1-7 is an awesome factual account about a widow and a never ceasing supply of oil. Most often in Scripture "oil" is used as a reference regarding the Holy Spirit. God desires to pour His "oil" into clean, empty, available vessels (saved human beings) to use us and to bless us.

God can still perform great miracles; God can still send revival; God has not run out of resources; God can still bless us exceedingly and abundantly above what we could ask or think. But we must be clean, empty, and available vessels to receive the best God has in store for us. In this passage when the prophet says, "go borrow vessels" it reflects the fact God loves to use us; He desires to include us in His miracle working plans. When the prophet Elisha said "do not gather just a few" in essence, Elisha was saying to the widow "you help determine the magnitude of your own miracle blessing based on how much of yourself you make available to God." So often our problem is we want a "massive" blessing from God but we only want to give God a "pint size portion" of ourselves to Him.

In the text God was saying to the widow based on the number of vessels you bring to me; that will determine how much oil I place in them. Now



God knows when we are offering our self, our time, and our talent for selfish motives; you can fool man but you can't fool God. God knows who has confessed sin, and they are offering more of them for God to cleanse and use for His purposes.

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God has not run out of resources; ..."*

If we open up our hearts and allow the Holy Spirit - the oil to flow through us, God can perform miracles through us. God will call spiritually dead people to spiritual life through us when we witness. If

we submit to the Lord He will show us His plans for us...TMFBC, let's be the vessel.

by Pastor Louis L. Rosenthal

Book of the Month

Nehemiah

The Hebrew name is “*Yahweh comforts*”, long version of the name “*Nahum*” which also means comforter. Nehemiah was cup-bearer to the king. Learning that the remnant in Judah were in distress and that the walls of Jerusalem were broken down, he asked the king for permission to return and rebuild the city. Artaxerxes sent him to Judah as governor of the province with a mission to rebuild, letters explaining his support for the venture, and provision for timber from the king’s forest. Once there, Nehemiah defied the opposition of Judah’s enemies on all sides – Samaritans, Ammonites, Arabs and Philistines – and rebuilt the walls within 52 days, from the Sheep Gate in the North, the Hananeel Tower at the North West corner, the Fish Gate in the West, the Furnaces Tower at the Temple Mount’s South West corner, the Dung Gate in the South, the East Gate and the gate beneath the Golden Gate in the East.

Appearing in the Queen’s presence may indicate his being a eunuch, and in the Septuagint, the Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible, he is described as such: *eunochos* (eunuch), rather than *oinochos* (wine-cup-bearer). If so the attempt by his enemy Shemaiah to trick him into entering the Temple is aimed at making him break Jewish law, rather than simply hide from assassins.

He then took measures to repopulate the city and purify the Jewish community, enforcing the cancellation of debt, assisting Ezra to promulgate the law of Moses, and enforcing the divorce of Jewish men from their non-Jewish wives.

After 12 years as governor, during which he ruled with justice and righteousness, he returned to the king in Susa. After some time in Susa he returned to Jerusalem, only to find that the people had fallen back into their evil ways. Non-Jews were permitted to conduct business inside Jerusalem on the Sabbath and to keep rooms in the Temple. Greatly angered, he purified the Temple and the priests and Levites and enforced the observance of the law of Moses.

Theme: Nehemiah’s life provides a fine study on leadership. He overcame opposition from outsiders as well as internal turmoil.

Author: The book of Nehemiah could be read as a sequel to the book of Ezra, and some scholars believe the two were originally one work. It is possible that Ezra compiled Nehemiah’s original accounts with other material to create the book of Nehemiah. However, most scholars believe the book was written by Nehemiah.

Women's Ministry News

WOMEN'S MEETING AND FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, May 13, 2017

10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Light lunch will be served.

Please come and join us for this women's meeting. We will have a guest speaker who is a cancer survivor. Invite a friend.

NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK NEW DISTRIBUTION SITE IN MCKINNEY, TX

The North Texas Food Bank Truck will set up at 401 W. Erwin Av. in McKinney, TX (The McKinney First Baptist Church parking lot) every 4th Saturday of the month.

McKinney Community you are invited to come and receive fresh produce provided by the North Texas Food Bank on Saturday, May 27th from 10:30am – 12pm.



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MAKING A DIFFERENCE
TOGETHER!

Clases de Español...

For those interested, we will be having a Spanish class on Saturday, May 6 at 11:15 am. We will meet on the Fellowship Hall. This is a very basic conversational class to help us serve those who are coming to our church for assistance. Everyone is welcome.



Happy Mother's Day To All Our Mothers

by Margaret Alicea-Quintana

May has come and with it comes fresh energy, flowers flourish, a rebirth of sorts and of course, *Mother's Day*. For many, it is a time to look forward to; for others, mixed-feelings as the one who birthed them is now gone. I'm among those missing their mom on Mother's Day... and every day.

However, I have never been big on the holiday celebration as it messes up my birthday -- you get a two-purpose single present and that's not right! But all arguing aside, I always made sure my mother received her card and present on time which meant sending it early to Puerto Rico to make sure the post office did not make me look bad. (Mission accomplished: She did say my present was always the first to arrive.)

But Mother's Day should be more than the cards and the presents. It should be a time to look at the legacy of our mothers for both sides: those who still have her around to celebrate her and those who have said our good-byes to the one who raised us. Whether alive or gone to heaven, we should celebrate mom for what she taught us, for the beautiful legacy of her love; for the strength to raise us and protect us no matter what came her way. In my case, though there are many lessons -- as mothers have a huge influence in how we face and resolve life issues -- the one I emphasize the most is how my mom taught me how to pray, being specific, when that wasn't heard of in my church. I was 12 years old. She told me, "*Tell the Lord how you feel. Tell HIM you can't get along with your father's rules because you just don't like them. He already knows so be open and sincere and then wait and see. He will do HIS thing.*" That was such a new concept to me that I listened. Oh, was she right! I

followed her advise right away. I started praying like that and the Lord changed my heart. I can say I love to talk to my Lord because my mother not only told me how to pray but she taught by example. There was always that closed bedroom door at 3:30 pm and we knew not to knock or disturb. It was her praying time now that her children were back home from school "*all in one piece*" she would retire to thank the Lord for HIS coverage. Her second most important lesson to me was about marriage: "*Never respond back when your husband is angry. He won't listen. Only two are needed to fight, if you keep your mouth shut, he would have to silence too. Later when he is calmed, make your point.*" And there are many others but this is not just about my lessons. But your lessons too.

We all can look at the legacy of lessons our mothers have left us with. We can see the beauty of their sacrificial love; the wisdom of the words we did not consider wise at one point but now can say "she was right"; the love that knows no boundaries, there is no stopping her to do what she feels she has to in order to keep her family together, her kids (and the pets) fed, the peace in the house, the money extending beyond to cover needs.

When I said at the beginning I wasn't too much for the holiday, I neglected (on purpose) to say that it was also due to all the commercialism around it that made me "tone it down" a little. But you know what, it doesn't matter that the retail industry push for making a few dollars, it is all worth it if at the end of it all we take time to celebrate the moms among us. **GO CELEBRATE MOM'S LEGACY!**

(Suggestion: Why don't you write the lessons down? Then see how you may have already passed those to your own children. *Legacy, it is the way your mother lives on.*)

Children & Youth Ministry News

CAMP REVELATION



Hawaiian Falls
HFALLS.COM
WATER PARKS & ADVENTURE PARKS

Saturday
May 27th, 2017



SeaWorld

Friday & Saturday
June 23rd & 24th
2017



Six Flags

Saturday
July 15th, 2017



Back 2 School
Lock-In

MAIN EVENT
ENTERTAINMENT

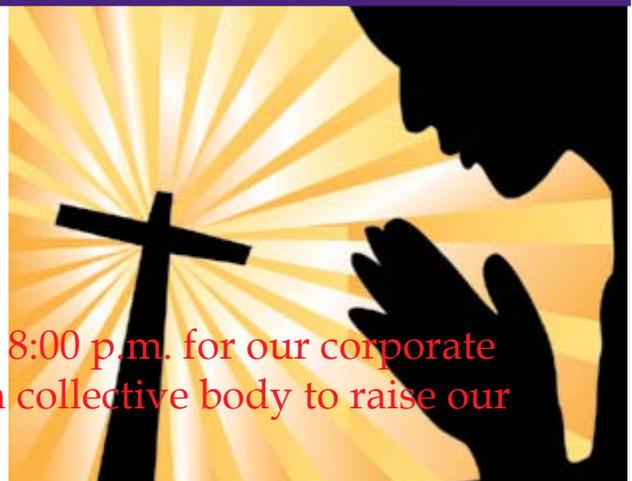
Friday & Saturday
August 11th & 12th
2017

*Save
the
Date*

**The McKinney First Baptist Church
Children & Youth Ministry**

S.H.O.P. Sweet Hour Of Prayer

Join us each Tuesday night from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for our corporate prayer. This is where we come together as a collective body to raise our voices to God in prayer and supplication.



It's *Harvest*
Time

Matthew 9:37-38

TMFBC's SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH



Spotlight on Shenne Hayes

- ❖ Family/Hometown: -- One beautiful son/ From Chicago, IL.
- ❖ What is your favorite thing to do? -- Get a hot stone massage.
- ❖ What three traits define you? -- Loving, caring and dependable.
- ❖ Who would play you in the movie of your life? -- Oprah Winfrey.
- ❖ Favorite Food? -- Thai (Curry).
- ❖ What one skill do you wish that you could master? -- Play the piano.
- ❖ What do you like best about TMFBC? Children's Church and friendliness of everyone.
- ❖ What attracted you to TMFBC? Acceptance and kindness from everyone.

I M A G I N E

What God Would Do . . .

*If we prayed for our neighbors
-- by name*



www.pray4everyhome.com

THE LOST - More than 700,000 people in our county don't know Jesus
(that's 75% of us)

THE HURTING - About 70% of violent crime in Collin County is
family violence

THE TRUTH - Only salvation through Jesus Christ transforms --
an individual, a family, a community, our culture

EASY SIGN UP: Prayer Volunteers sign up online • Neighbor
lists are generated • Prompts shared to guide prayers

GET INVOLVED!

Getting Deeper in HIS Word

At TMFBC, we take the studying of the Word of God seriously. We invite you to come and explore the depths of HIS Word by participating in the opportunities offered each week.

Wednesday Bible Study: We are currently studying the book of Philippians. We meet at 12:00 noon and at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School: Sunday morning Bible School occurs from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. We offer classes for men, women, young adults, youth, and children.

Come, learn, and fellowship as we get deeper in HIS Word.

May Birthdays

*"The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."
Numbers 6:24-26*

*Crystal Davis
Christopher Dixon
Jailyn Dixon
Jacqueline Hollins
Chandra Melancon
Tracey Ricks
Gloria Fuller
Priscilla Magee*

*Jenifer Jackson
Rosalyn Greer
Margaret Alicea
Bernia Morris
Lynn Smalls
Nannetta Ellis
Leah Davis
Roosevelt Brooks*

*Kristen Melancon
Sandra Jones
Gene Chenault
Yolanda Williams
Charles Delone
London Perry
Alethia Carmans
Christopher Morris*



report on mission:

Rural Mexico - Rancho Huizache & Beyond ...

NEXT MISSION TRIP: JUN 17 - 29

COST FOR ALL 10 DAYS: \$850/PERSON includes airfare. You may go for less days but you can be a part of God's work in Huizache. Maximum group of 6. Deadline for decision (not money; to secure lodging/land transportation) May 12th. You may purchase your airline ticket. Contact Margaret Alicea-Quintana for more information. 214-548-5127 or maliceaquintana@gmail.com
